Mr. K. R. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas Trichur):* May I know the nature of the steps taken in regard to No. 4?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* The permit of the vehicle was suspended for a week.

CONTROL OF FARES OF BUSES, RICKSHAWS, ETC.

228. Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* Will Government be pleased to state whether.—

(*a*) they are not in a position to control the train, bus and rickshaw hires at present; and

(*b*) any steps have been taken in this direction?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammed Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):*

(*a*) and (*b*) Yes, excepting in the case of train.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur Nroth):* May I know what exactly are the steps taken with regard to the fares in the case of rickshaws?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* In the case of rickshaws, we have got fixed rates and the table is carried by the rickshaw man and every passenger can see that those fares table are exhibited in every rickshaw.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur North):* May I know whether the fares are fixed with reference to the distance and time?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bhahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* Yes, both.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Is the Hackney carriage Act in force here?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* Yes.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Can a rickshaw man refuse to take a fare?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* No.

WOMEN WORKERS—APPEARANCE IN POLICE STATION

229. Mrs. K. Joshua *(Womens-Trichur):* Will Government be pleased to state whether any women workers were asked to appear in the Police Station at Anthikad?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* No.

PALAYANNUR POLICE—COMPLAINT AGAINST—MASS PETITION

230. Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have received a mass petition complaining of the high handed action of the Palayannur Police;

(*b*) whether any enquiry has been made into the same and if so by whom and in what manner;

(*c*) whether the Commissioner of Police had or had not personally enquired into the same and if so when and in what manner;

(*d*) whether the Commissioner of Police had or had not issued notices to some or all the petitioners to show cause why action should not be taken against them both under the Cochin Police Act and the Defence of India Act;

(*e*) if the answer to (*d*) is in the affirmative whether sanction of the Government was obtained or the Government consulted in the matter before the notices were issued; if so, when and if not, why not?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes. The Division Inspector, Trichur, enquired into the matter jointly with the Postal Inspector.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkacheri):* May I know, Sir, whether the answer to clause (e) in the opinion of the Government is complete answer to question (e). It is stated whether sanction of the Government was obtained or the Government consulted in the matter before the notices were issued, if so when, and if not, why not?" The answer is a simple "no".

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